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Disability NSW

DISABILITY NSW

Disability New South Wales (Cat. no. 4443.1) will be released on 24th September. With

almost 1 in 5 people in NSW reported as having a disability and 1 in 8 providing some form of care, this compendium publication is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of disability in NSW. Topics included are the concept and classification of disability; the population and characteristics of people with a disability and the caring population; living and housing arrangements; employment and income; education; social and community activities and mobility and transport needs. For more information contact Allan McLean on (02) 9268 4609, email allan.mclean@abs.gov.au.

Australia's Environment

AUSTRALIA'S ENVIRONMENT

The first edition of **Australia's Environment: Issues and Trends (Cat. no. 4613.0)** was released in July. This publication explores some of the relationships between Australia's society, economy and environment. While similar ABS publications have sought to provide a comprehensive view of the environment, this publication will be dynamic, examining a selection of topical issues each year. It integrates ABS data and external data to present current environmental issues in an easy to understand format. For more information contact Bob Harrison on (02) 6252 7369, email bob.harrison@abs.gov.au.

Community Service Organisations

COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

Community service organisations in Australia spent \$12.6 billion in the year to June 2000. At the end of June 2000, there were 9,287 employing organisations involved in the provision of community services in Australia, a 15% increase in the number of employing community services organisations at the end of June 1996. **Community Services, Australia, 1999-2000** (Cat. no. 8696.0), released in July, contains summary data on this expenditure and on community service activity by the government and private sectors. For more information contact Graham Boxsell on (02) 6252 5633, email graham.boxsell@abs.gov.au.

Indigenous Statistics

INDIGENOUS STATISTICS

Training in Indigenous Demographic Trends will be held at the ABS NSW Office on Thursday 18 October 2001. This one day course provides an understanding of the main demographic trends in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population. It covers: how many and where Indigenous people are; changing propensity to identify as Indigenous; fertility, mortality, migration; and how many Indigenous people there may be in the future. The cost will be \$380 which includes a light lunch and three ABS Indigenous publications. For more information contact Helen Gardiner on (02) 9268 4562, email helen.gardiner@abs.gov.au.

Internet Activity

INTERNET ACTIVITY

At the end of the March quarter 2001 there were 665 internet service providers (ISPs) supplying internet access services to just under 4 million subscribers across Australia. This is a fall in the number of ISPs and an increase in the number of subscribers since September 2000. Further details can be found in **Internet Activity Australia** (Cat. no. 8153.0). For more information contact Dean Bloom on (07) 3222 6404, email dean.bloom@abs.gov.au.

Understanding Demography

UNDERSTANDING DEMOGRAPHY

A one day seminar on **Understanding Demographic Data** will be held in ABS NSW Office on Thursday 6th December 2001. This one day seminar aims to help participants better understand and utilise demographic data produced by the ABS. It also gives an introduction to demographic techniques which enable comparisons between regions and over time. The course cost is \$342 and includes course notes, information sheets, the latest edition of **Australian Demographic Statistics** (Cat. no. 3101.0) and a light lunch. For more information contact Melissa Webb on (02) 9268 4744, email m.webb@abs.gov.au.

State Industry Estimates

STATE INDUSTRY ESTIMATES

Information Paper: Experimental Estimates, Australian Industry, a State Perspective (Cat. no. 8156.0) presents estimates produced at State level using a combination of data from the ABS annual Economic Activity Survey (EAS) and business income tax data provided to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Estimates are for a subset of industries only with the range of estimates to be expanded each year. The long term objective is to produce industry estimates for the whole economy. For more information contact Merry Branson on (02) 6252 5521, email merry.branson@abs.gov.au.

Regional Small Business

REGIONAL SMALL BUSINESS

Information Paper: Use of Business Income Tax Data for Regional Small Business Statistics -- Experimental Estimates, Selected Regions, Australia (Cat. no. 5675.0) was released on the 19th July. This publication details an ABS investigation into the use of Australian Taxation Office (ATO) business income tax data to improve the range of regional economic statistics. This investigation has now progressed to a stage where the ABS has produced experimental estimates of regional business economic activity. This paper presents preliminary findings for selected regions for 1995-6, 1996-97 and 1997-98. For

more information contact Gary Allen on (07) 3222 6132, email gary.allen@abs.gov.au.

NSW Regional Profiles

NSW REGIONAL PROFILES

New South Wales Regional Profiles, due for release in October, have a wide range of regional statistics. Data are available at the Local Government Area (LGA) level for key population groups including children, young people, women, older people, people with disabilities, Indigenous people, and people from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds. The **New South Wales Directory of Regional Statistics**, is also due out in October. For more information contact Venessa Smit on (02) 9268 4194, email v.smit@abs.gov.au.

Work Related Injuries

WORK RELATED INJURIES

Work-Related Injuries, Australia (Cat no. 6324.0), to be released on 27th September provides information on persons who worked at some time in the previous 12 months and who suffered a work-related injury or illness. Estimates can be cross-classified with characteristics such as State, sex, relationship in household, marital status, birthplace, occupation and industry.

Voluntary Work

VOLUNTARY WORK

The ABS released Voluntary Work Australia 2000 (Cat. no. 4441.0) on June 20, 2001. The publication presents results from the second national Survey of Voluntary Work conducted throughout Australia in 2000. It includes data on rates of participation in voluntary work, characteristics of volunteers, the types of organisations they work for and the activities they undertake. For more information contact Javad Seyedi on (02) 6252 6063, email javad.seyedi@abs.gov.au.

National Health Survey

NATIONAL HEALTH SURVEY

The ABS 2001 National Health Survey (NHS) is underway. This is the fifth large scale survey of health conducted by the ABS. The survey is being conducted in about 20,000 private dwellings across Australia between February and December 2001. While mainly covering people aged 15 years and over, some data on children will also be collected. Some questions will be the same as those used in the 1995 NHS allowing for a comparison over

time. The ABS 2001 National Health Survey also includes an Indigenous sample supplement. Results of the survey are expected to become available from September 2002. For more information contact Mike Langan on (02) 6252 6403, email mike.langan@abs.gov.au.

General Social Survey

GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY

The Dress Rehearsal for the first General Social Survey (GSS) will be conducted in Melbourne between 22nd October and 3rd November with the first full survey in 2002. The GSS will provide insight into the living standards that families achieve from the range of human and economic resources at their disposal and allow for an assessment of the various dimensions of social advantage and disadvantage. It will also allow for the relationship between health status and outcomes, and various social and economic determinants to be explored. For more information contact Jane Griffin-Warwicke on (02) 6252 6535, email jane.griffin-warwicke@abs.gov.au.

Social Wellbeing

SOCIAL WELLBEING

Measuring Social Wellbeing (Cat. no. 4160.0) is due for release in October. This publication is a textbook of social statistics which examines international and Australian developments over the last 15 years. Key social policy needs and statistics currently available are considered for each major area in turn as well as a general framework which connects the main elements.

Disability Statistics

DISABILITY STATISTICS

The paper Accounting for Change in Disability and Severe Restriction, 1981–1998 is now available on the ABS web site, www.abs.gov.au, under Working Papers in the menu. It provides an overview of disability across the surveys, by age and particular restricting impairment; then focuses on the population with severe restriction, in particular analysing reasons for the increase in this population in the 1998 Survey of Disability, Ageing and Carers. For more information contact Ken Black on (02) 6252 7430, email ken.black@abs.gov.au.

Census 2001

CENSUS 2001

Selected Social and Housing Characteristics, Australia (Cat. no. 2015.0) will be the first data release from the 2001 Census. This publication will contain 1996 and 2001 Census population counts and selected person, family and dwelling characteristics for all Statistical Divisions (SDs) and Statistical Sub-divisions (SSDs) within each State and Territory. New inclusions in the publication are a set of comparison tables with 1901, 1996 and 2001 data for States, Territories and Capital City SDs, ranked tables for selected characteristics, and person counts on a Usual Residence basis. State and Territory summary, regional comparisons for selected topics and time series comparisons commentary is also provided.

July 2002 First national publication (2015.0)

September 2002 State/Territory publications (2015.1–8)

July 2002 Basic Community Profile Release 1

September 2002 Classification Counts Release 1

September 2002 CDATA2001 Release 1

November 2002 Basic Community Profile Release 2

November 2002 CLIB Release 1

For more information contact Danielle Bouvier on (02) 9268 4636, email danielle.bouvier@abs.gov.au.

Statistical Training

STATISTICAL TRAINING

The Statistical Consultancy section in ABS NSW conducts a range of statistical training courses. Courses scheduled for the coming months include:

Principles of Questionnaire Design (18 & 19 September)

Turning Data Into Information (16 & 17 October)

For information about these courses contact Naomi Millar on (02) 9268 4675, email naomi.millar@abs.gov.au

Selected Releases

SELECTED RELEASES

SELECTED RELEASES JULY AND AUGUST 2001

To order ABS publications please contact the ABS Bookshop on (02) 9268 4620.

For the ABS National Information Service call 1300 135 070.

1244.0.00.001 New	Information Paper: Outcomes of ABS Views on Remoteness Consultation, Australia, June 2001 (\$10.00)
3235.1 Final	Population by Age and Sex, New South Wales, 30 June 2000 (\$23.00)
3235.1.55.001 New	Population by Age and Sex, New South Wales – Electronic Delivery, 30 June 2000 (\$23.00)
4102.0	Australian Social Trends, 2001 (\$44.00)
4183.0	Cultural Funding, Australia, 1999–2000 (\$17.00)
4390.0	Private Hospitals, Australia, 1999–2000 (\$20.00)
4441.0	Voluntary Work, Australia, 2000 (\$22.00)
4613.0 New	Australia's Environment: Issues and Trends, 2001 (\$38.00)

4704.0	The Health and Welfare of Australia's Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, 2001 (\$43.00)
5492.0	Information Paper: A Methodology for Estimating Regional Merchandise Exports – Including Experimental Estimates for Three Queensland Regions, 1994–95 to 1996–97 (\$10.00)
5518.0.55.001 New	Government Finance Statistics, Education, Australia – Electronic Delivery, 1999–2000 (\$43.00)
5675.0	Information Paper: Use of Business Income Tax Data for Regional Small Business Statistics – Experimental Estimates, Selected Regions, Australia, 1995–96 to 1997–98 (\$10.00)
5677.0	Information Paper: Improvements to Australian Bureau of Statistics Quarterly Business Indicators, 2001 (\$10.00)
6102.0	Labour Statistics: Concepts, Sources and Methods, 2001 (\$62.00)
6201.1	Labour Force, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory, May 2001 (\$24.00)
8104.0	Research and Experimental Development, Businesses, Australia, 1999–2000 (\$18.50)
8156.0	Information Paper: Experimental Estimates, Australian Industry, a State Perspective, 1998–99 (\$10.00)
8564.0 New	Veterinary Services, Australia, 1999–2000 (\$18.50)
8696.0	Community Services, Australia, 1999–2000 (\$27.00)

SELECTED EXPECTED RELEASES SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2001

Release dates for publications can be obtained from the ABS Web Site at www.abs.gov.au
On the Welcome Page go to **Releases out soon**.

3311.1	Demography, New South Wales 2000 (\$28.00)
4160.0	Measuring Social Wellbeing, 1999 (\$43.00)
4443.1 New	Disability New South Wales (\$36.00)
4808.0 New	Illicit Drug Use, Sources of Data, Australia, 2000 (\$26.00)
5676.0 New	Business Indicators, Australia, September 2001 (\$20.00)
6281.0	Work in Selected Culture and Leisure Activities, Australia Apr 2001 (\$21.00)
6537.0	Government Benefits, Taxes and Household Income, Australia 1998–99 (\$24.00)
8129.0	Business Use of Information Technology 200–01 (\$19.00)
8153.0	Internet Activity, Australia, June 2001 (\$19.50)
8221.1	Manufacturing Industry, New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory 1999–2000 (\$21.00)
8415.0	Mining Operations, Australia 1999–2000 (\$28.00)

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